

hundred questions sent through the month concerning it.

I have read the Woman's Column with much interest for several years, and have sometimes thought I would like to reply to some of the sources I find. I have never done so until now.

When the last FARMER came out I read about a woman who was a mess at right angles and tell her that I agree with her entirely on the subject of tobacco. It is a fearful evil.

When I am with you heart and hand in waging war against tobacco, for, as you say, it deadens the sensibilities, and makes the people who use it the tools of the user of the vice stuff, but also their wives and children. How many a tired mother has to go to bed at night, getting along with a hired girl, (Bessie Gordon, *For Sale*), I know of no one who has not been made a victim of the labor saving inventions, such as sewing machine, clothes-wringer, etc., etc., and who has not been made a victim when the yearly amount paid for tobacco would supply her with a part of these, and who has not been made a victim of which, once purchased, last a lifetime, and who does not have to replace every time one of the things of the store, and who has tobacco. Then, too, how many boys are growing up, and how many young men who bring for an education cannot obtain it because "Father is in debt," and how many are growing up who are not

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men, when will our fathers, husbands, and brothers, and our sweetest friends, of the wrong they are doing themselves and those they profess to love, though for the sake of a few dollars, or a few cents, that will let a man deprive his family of the means of spending his money and making his home comfortable at home and abroad. For what is more disgusting than a man who has no other means of tobacco supply? In my opinion, tobacco using is hardly second in the list of evils, to the use of hard alcohol. I have often said I would as lief a man's breath smell of whiskey as of tobacco.

Let us not let all this all in our power to prevent our boys from using tobacco. Let us teach them that it is a poison, fit only for the swine, and that it is a snare to us. Let us advise our daughters never to marry a man who uses it, and to tell them that if any tobacco user should peep into this column, "just to see what the women say," that he is a hypocrite, and that we may "see himself as others see him," and then decide never again to chear or smoke tobacco.

**A Chat with Topsy.**

So Topsy wants to know her Master's advice and others are. Here am I, Topsy, or, more fully, I have read some of the books that you have written, and I want to tell you my own wish to know about. I think one

If you or any of your correspondents can give any information on this subject, call the Princess Royal, it would much oblige many readers of your paper in this way. I am, dear Sir, your obedient servant, Agents to call upon a extant in Waldo county, Maryland.

**Stearport.** JOHN NICKELS.

**The Grange.**

Here is a sad complaint: "I think the Grange fails to do what it promises. It was sold to the people for the purpose of bettering, but one of the members cheated me out of a horse. I fraded with him, and he sold me a horse that was not what I had been doctored so I couldn't see the horse. I was cheated out of my money. I think the Grange does. Well, this is bad. But it is not the only thing that has happened. The wrong done was in violation of precepts by the Grange, but the teachings of a divine Master forbade cheating, lying, fraud and all the evils that such a man would do. I think the Grange is doing evil, but it can not always prevent. Law is not the only thing that can be done. We do not conclude that all law should be abrogated because they are very few, and we should be more and more frequent, to strengthen and uphold

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may neither elaborate nor beautiful; but I have said that if that spron had been a unit compared with other work she was obliged to do, she would never have been a fortnight at work on it. Any one who works for an object will never get between the studies. All of us who have children here, and I myself expect them to have an education, a liberal one of course we have in our minds, and if we mothers acquire a general knowledge of what our sons and daughters will have a thorough one of, we shall be nearer and dearer to them as they attain manhood and womanhood, and our influence on them will have no end. How much more interested we shall be in their studies than if we were not.

The book I read for February and March was "Warren's Recreations in Astronomy," which is not designed for the student, but for the amateur, and I have read it as far as possible. There are two







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